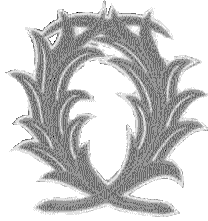


American Society of the French Academic Palms



Summer Scholarship Program 2009

Application must be POSTMARKED by January 10, 2009.

At the discretion of its Board, the American Society of the French Academic Palms (ASFAP) offers up to three summer scholarships to be used in a French-speaking country to students whose interest in the French language and Francophone cultures has been identified by their French instructors. Their primary purpose is to provide students with the opportunity to become more proficient in the language and to understand and appreciate cultures found in the French-speaking world. These scholarships should by no means be viewed as a pretext for paid holidays in a French-speaking country. Ideally, every French major in college or advanced-level French student in high school should have the experience of living and studying in France or in another French-speaking country. Therefore, priority will be given to those

1. who have never studied in a French-speaking country.
2. who have not had extensive experience in traveling to or living in French-speaking countries.
3. whose French professors have vouched for their interest and commitment to the study of French and francophone cultures.
4. who have identified an appropriate program of study for at least four weeks in a French-speaking country.

Note: The number of applications per recommending teacher is limited to one.

ELIGIBILITY

1. At the time of application, candidates must be pursuing a French major or minor and be in their sophomore or junior year in college, or must be juniors or seniors in high school and enrolled in an advanced French course. Preference may be given for the high school award to students enrolled in an Advanced Placement, an International Baccalaureate, or an honors program in French.
2. The scholarship must be used during the summer of 2009.
3. Applicants must be American citizens by birth or by naturalization.
4. Applicants must secure the sponsorship of a member of ASFAP. (See details below under "Application.")

INELIGIBILITY

1. Recipients of other awards for simultaneous summer study.
2. Native speakers of French from any Francophone country (exceptions will be made only for those who came to the United States as children and whose linguistic competence in French cannot be qualified as native or near-native).
3. Non-US citizens.

DESCRIPTION

The scholarship is best used to study in a French-language institution of higher learning. Applicants will select their institution as well as arrange for their travel to the French-speaking country. Minimum stay in the Francophone country is four weeks.

FUNDS PROVIDED

The American Society of the French Academic Palms offers annually up to three scholarships of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) each: two for college sophomores or juniors and one for a high school junior or senior. Awards will be announced by March 1, 2009. A check will be sent to the awardees upon submission of a copy of the letter of acceptance to a program in a French-speaking country.

REQUIREMENTS

1. By April 1, 2009, send to Professor Lee Bradley, ASFAP Editor <lbradley@valdosta.edu>, for publication in the Society's *Gazette Violette* an **electronic photo** and a **short description of the summer program selected**.
2. By April 31, 2009, send to Professor John C. O'Neal, 21 Elm St., Clinton, NY 13323 <joneal@hamilton.edu> a **copy of official acceptance** to a four-week program in a French-speaking country.
3. Keep a **weekly journal** in French to be submitted to the association upon the student's return. By September 1, 2009, submit to Professor John C. O'Neal, 21 Elm St., Clinton, NY 13323 <joneal@hamilton.edu> two entries from the weekly journal kept by the scholarship recipient during the summer program.
4. By September 1, 2009, submit to Professor Lee Bradley <lbradley@valdosta.edu> for the Society's *Gazette Violette* an **article in French** on the summer experience (approximately 300 words) and a **photo** of the recipient in the Francophone country.

APPLICATION — Submit as **3 complete sets**, 1 copy per set of each of the following: #1, #2, #3;
Recommendations (#4) in a sealed envelope from each recommender

1. **APPLICATION form (original + 2 copies)**
2. **ESSAY (original + 2 copies)**

3. TRANSCRIPT (1 official copy + 2 copies)

4. RECOMMENDATIONS (2 different recommenders)

- ASFAP member: (original + 2 copies in a sealed envelope). If unknown, contact Mme Anne Hébert, Treasurer, for a contact name: <glenn.hebert@sbcglobal.net>
- Current French instructor: (original + 2 copies in a sealed envelope). If current French instructor and ASFAP member are the same person, request a recommendation from another instructor, preferably another French teacher.

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Deadline: Must be POSTMARKED by January 10, 2009

High School Student (Junior) _____ (Senior) _____ Post-secondary Student (Sophomore) _____ (Junior) _____

Date and place of birth: _____ U.S. Citizen (date): _____

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Address: (Permanent) _____
(Number and Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Telephone: _____ - _____ - _____ Email _____

Address (Academic Year) _____
(Number and Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Telephone: _____ - _____ - _____ Email _____

School/College/University: _____

Institution's Address: _____
(Number and Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Level of proficiency: * speaking _____ reading _____
listening _____ writing _____

* See ACTFL Guidelines.

<http://www.sil.org/lingualinks/LANGUAGELEARNING/OtherResources/ACTFLProficiencyGuidelines/TheACTFLGuidelines.htm>

Have you ever traveled abroad? Yes _____ No _____

If yes: Where? When? Purpose? Length? (family/ school travel, home stay, study) (Use additional sheets if necessary.)

Academic Background: HS (advanced-level candidate _____); Post-secondary (French major _____ French minor _____)

HS: current/last completed course(s) in French; Post-secondary: number of credited hours completed in French and list French courses in progress

Graduation projected date _____

Recommended by ASFAP member (Name) _____

Recommended by French teacher (Name) _____

Signature of Candidate _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian if applicant is under 18 years of age: _____

***On a separate sheet, type and sign an essay in French describing yourself, your current level of French study, why and for what purpose(s) you are studying French, and a detailed plan of how you will spend four weeks in a French-speaking country if you are chosen for the scholarship. *Identify the program you have chosen. (350-500 words)*

All applications must be POSTMARKED by January 10, 2009. Professor John C. O'Neal

QUESTIONS: joneal@hamilton.edu

Scholarship Program Chair, ASFAP
Department of French
Hamilton College
198 College Hill Rd.
Clinton, NY 13323

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_____ (Check) **ASFAP Member's Recommendation (original + 2 copies in sealed envelope)**

_____ (Check) **French Teacher's Recommendation (original + 2 copies in sealed envelope)**

Instructions to applicant: Make copies of this form for use by your two recommenders: a French teacher and an ASFAP member. Have your recommenders return the recommendation forms to you. Recommenders should complete the recommendation forms (original and two copies of each recommendation in a sealed envelope), and you should include the sealed envelope in your application packet to be **POSTMARKED by January 10, 2009.**

Address: Professor John C. O'Neal, Scholarship Program Chair, ASFAP, Department of French, Hamilton College, 198 College Hill Rd., Clinton, NY 13323 e-mail: <joneal@hamilton.edu>

Nom du candidat: _____

Depuis quand et comment le/la connaissez-vous? _____

Depuis combien de temps fait-il/elle du français? _____

Indiquer le niveau de compétence selon les critères d'ACTFL *Proficiency Guidelines*:

<http://www.sil.org/lingualinks/LANGUAGELEARNING/OtherResources/ACTFLProficiencyGuidelines/TheACTFLGuidelines.htm>

parlé _____ écrit _____ auditif _____ lecture _____

Veillez décrire comment le candidat, à votre avis, tirera avantage de cette bourse et de son séjour dans un pays francophone. (Vous pouvez ajouter des pages.)

Nom et prénom (en caractères d'imprimerie) _____

Signature du Professeur/Membre : _____ Date : _____

Adresse : _____

Courriel : _____ Téléphone _____